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Registration Unit Counterespionage Section, Criminal Division U.S. Department of Justice Washington, D.C. 20530

Re: Ketchum Inc. (Registration #5758) - Informational Materials

Dear Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, attached please find informational materials disseminated by Ketchum on behalf of Gazprom Export.

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Dow and Gazprom Sign MOU to Explore Global Carbon Reduction Projects

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"Gazprom Marketing and Trading is proud to be an environmentally responsible company. Today's agreement to collaborate on projects that will reduce greenhouse gas emissions is one more example of how we strive to reduce our carbon footprint. We are very excited to work with Dow and believe their technologies offer a wide array of proven carbon-reduction methodologies that will drive customer value as the world addresses the climate change challenge," said Vitaly Vasiliev, CEO of Gazprom Marketing and Trading.

The agreement reinforces both companies' commitment to setting the standard for sustainability by providing innovative solutions to the world's energy and climate issues.

"Gazprom's global brand and large gas portfolio make it a great partner for us. We are excited to work together to deliver solutions for the global oil and gas market," said Janet Giesselman, general manager, Dow Oil and Gas. "Dow Oil and Gas products are proven technologies that have successfully lowered energy requirements while reducing carbon emissions."

To find out more about Certified Emissions Reduction project mechanisms, please visit <u>UNFCCC's website</u>.

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